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SUBJECT: RHODESIA, APPROACH TO OAU GOVERNMENTS

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REFS: (A) BRAZZA 778; (B) STATE 141940; (C) STATE 151825

1. FRG CHARGE IS PROBABLY REFERRING TO SUGGESTION MADE BY UK, TO WHICH WE AGREED, TO APPROACH OAU GOVERNMENTS TO BRIEF THEM ON LATEST IN US-UK EFFORTS IN RHODESIA. (REFTEL (B)). WHILE IT WAS AGREED THAT APPROACH SHOULD BE PRIMARILY A US-UK UNDERTAKING, IT WAS ALSO DECIDED THAT LOW KEY APPROACHES BY OTHERS, SUCH AS FRG, COULD BE HELPFUL. BRITISH SUBSEQUENTLY BRIEFED SEVERAL EUROPEAN AND COMMON-WEALTH GOVERNMENTS ON DEMARCHE SUGGESTING THAT PARALLEL APPROACHES FROM THEM IN AFRICA MIGHT BE USEFUL AT THIS TIME. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THEY SPECIFICALLY SUGGESTED TO THESE GOVERNMENTS THAT APPROACH BE MADE IN THE COMPANY OF A US OR UK COUNTERPART.

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2. ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENT AGREES THAT APPROACHES BY GOVERNMENTS OTHER THAN UK COULD BE HELPFUL, WE DO NOT THINK THAT A JOINT APPROACH TO THE CONGOLESE IS NECESSARY. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THE NATURE OF THE DEMARCHE MAY BE MISINTERPRETED, ESPECIALLY IF YOU HAVE ALREADY RELAYED POINTS IN REF (B) TO GOC. IN THAT CASE YOU SHOULD ENCOURAGE YOUR

GERMAN COLLEAGUE TO CONVEY MESSAGE TO GOC ALONE. OTHER-
WISE, YOU MAY ACCOMPANY HIM AT YOUR DISCRETION.

3. DEPARTMENT IS REPEATING REFERENCES (B) AND (C) TO
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